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Street Railway Reports, Annotated, Reporting the Electric Railway and Street Railway Decisions of the Federal and State Courts in the United States, with combined index to notes in vols. 1 to 5 inclusive. Edited by Frank B. Gilbert, Melvin Bender and Harold J. Hinman, of the Albany Bar. Vol. 5. Albany. N. Y. Matthew Bender & Co. 1908. Price \$5.00 per volume.

To wade through the mass of reports for cases upon special matters of law is becoming a Herculean task. Publishers are beginning to appreciate this and collections of cases upon distinct and separate subjects are now being offered to the profession.

The Street Railway Reports, of which the volume mentioned above is the fifth, include many important cases decided not only by appellate and courts of original jurisdiction, but by lower courts not elsewhere reported. The electric railway is of continually increasing importance; a well-defined and distinct law has grown up in connection with such railways in this country—now numbering about one thousand,—and the five volumes of these reports contain 1395 cases on this subject. The cases are in most instances carefully and well annotated and must take their place as a valuable contribution in the library of the busy lawyer.

A Treatise on the Law of Intercorporate Relations, by Walter Chadwick Noyes, United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, author of "American Railroad Rates." Second Edition, revised and enlarged. Boston. Little, Brown & Co. 1909. Price \$6.00.

The first edition of Judge Noyes' work was published some six years ago and was most favorably received. The second edition is issued at a very opportune time, for the subject so ably treated by the distinguished jurist is one now commanding an unusual degree of interest. The changes in the law relating to legislation against combinations has been so great, that the last six chapters of the work have been re-written. The book treats of the conjunction of corporate entities through consolidation of corporate properties, through sales and leases, and the concentration of corporate control through holding shares, in a concise, clear and condensed way.

The law governing the combinations of corporations is reduced from a mass of conflicting decisions to certain fixed principles which the author states in an able and convincing way. The limited number of important subjects treated are examined exhaustively and the work is one we can command as not only timely, but of interest both in the adequacy of its information and the clearness of its treatment.